

alerting drivers that the handling and maneuvering characteristics of utility vehicles require special driving practices when these vehicles are operated. Also, as required by 49 CFR part 575.6(d)(1)(i), vehicle manufacturers must submit to NHTSA's Administrator, prior to new model introduction, two copies of the information specified in Part 575.103 and Part 575.105 that is applicable to the vehicles offered for sale. The information must be submitted at least 90 days before information on such vehicles is first provided for examination by prospective purchasers.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use of the Information: 49 U.S.C. 30117 (a) specifies that the Secretary of Transportation may require that each manufacturer of a motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment provide technical information related to performance and safety required to carry out this chapter. This section further authorizes the Secretary to require manufacturers to notify first purchasers and prospective purchasers of these data. To carry out this statutory directive, the agency promulgated 49 CFR part 575, Consumer Information Regulations. The regulation requires manufacturers to provide performance and safety information to their dealers who will distribute this information to potential first purchasers of new vehicles. These manufacturers also furnish the agency with copies. Every manufacturer of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment must provide NHTSA with performance and safety information and technical data to comply with the following:

- Truck-camper loading (information about trucks that can accommodate slide-in campers) (Part 575.103).
- Vehicle rollover (information about handling and maneuvering characteristics of utility vehicles) (Part 575.105).

60-Day Notice: A Federal Register notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting public comments on the following information collection was published on January 20, 2026 (91 FR 2422). No comments were received.

Affected Public: Motor vehicle manufacturers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 35 (18 utility vehicle and truck manufacturers and 17 slide-in camper manufacturers).

Frequency: As needed.

Estimated Number of Responses: The agency estimates 15 responses annually. NHTSA estimates there are currently 17 slide-in camper manufacturers, 7 manufacturers of trucks capable of

accommodating slide-in campers, and 18 utility vehicle manufacturers subject to Part 575 Sections 103 and 575.105. Because of overlap, the total number of distinct respondents is estimated at 35. Based on prior years' experience, NHTSA estimates that approximately 15 submissions will be received annually. Of these, about 12 will be associated with the introduction of new model vehicles and about three will be revisions to previously submitted information. Manufacturers submit only when they introduce a new model or change previously provided information.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,865 hours per year.

The light truck manufacturers gather only pre-existing data for the purposes of this regulation. The agency estimates light truck manufacturers use a total of 135 hours (about nine hours per manufacturer) to gather and arrange data in proper format.

Light truck manufacturers' significant burden is printing and distributing copies of this consumer information to their dealers and attaching the labels to light trucks that are capable of accommodating slide-in campers. The agency estimates about 800,000 copies of this information will be printed. Although most high-speed printing methods are fast, we assume a total burden of 60 hours (four hours per manufacturer) to print this information.

The final step is to estimate the burden to print the truck-camper labels and utility vehicle information in the owner's manual or on a separate document included with the owner's manual. Since this information is listed in the owner's manual, NHTSA estimates 105 hours (seven hours per manufacturer) are spent printing the consumer information in the owner's manual. OMB approved the owner's manual information collection under a separate request (approval OMB Control Number 2127-0541).

The estimated annual burden is 300 hours. This number is derived from multiplying total responses (15) by the total burden hours per manufacturer (20 hours).

In addition to submission hours, NHTSA accounts for the burden associated with affixing truck-camper loading labels (Part 575.103) and utility vehicle rollover labels (Part 575.105). NHTSA estimates that labeling 13,000 slide-in camper units and 4,500,000 utility vehicles requires approximately 22,565 hours annually (4,513,000 units $\times$ 0.005 hours per label).

The combined estimated total annual burden is therefore 22,865 hours (300

hours for submissions + 22,565 hours for labeling).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Cost: \$1,579,550.

The burden estimates are based on the printing costs.

NHTSA estimates that each label costs \$0.35 to print. With approximately 4,513,000 labels annually, the total annual printing cost is \$1,579,550. Thus, the estimated total annual cost burden, exclusive of labor costs, is \$1,579,550. Label printing: 4,513,000 labels $\times$ \$0.35 = \$1,579,550

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspects of this information collection, including (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; 49 CFR 1.49; and DOT Order 1351.29A.

Jane Doherty,

Acting Associate Administrator, Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VA National Academic Affiliations Council

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of intent to file.

SUMMARY: We are giving notice that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs intends to reestablish the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) National Academic Affiliations Council for a 2-year period. The Secretary has determined that the Council is necessary and in the public interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee ACT, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs intends to reestablish the VA National Academic Affiliations Council (NAAC or Council) for two (2) years from the filing date. The purpose of the Council is charged with developing and recommending ways to enhance the unique partnership between the VA and the nation's universities, health professions schools, and teaching hospitals.. The Council's activities include the following:

- Developing and recommending strategies for effective communication on academic affiliations between VA and relevant stakeholder organizations, including recommendations about the optimal function of affiliation partnership councils;
- Developing and recommending mechanisms to expand the number and type of mutually advantageous affiliations between VA and the academic community;
- Identifying and recommending opportunities to better align the missions and operations of VA and its academic affiliates;
- Identifying policy, regulatory, and administrative impediments to effective affiliation management; and
- Developing and recommending appropriate mechanisms to share faculty, trainees, space, equipment, and other health care resources.

Also in pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.65, the Department of Veterans Affairs provides this written notice determination stating that the Council is in the public interest and found to be in accordance with the Federal Advisory Community Act (FACA), the FACA 2025 Final Rule, and current to the U.S. General Services Administration, Committee Management Secretariat guidance. The following factors below provide an overview of the Council's operations and public interest intent.

Annual Budget—The overall operating costs for the Council is \$385,000. All members receive travel expenses and a per diem allowance in accordance with the Federal Travel Regulation for any travel made in connection with their duties as members of the Committee. The expected costs are broken into:

- (i) Federal personnel (based on full-time equivalent (FTE) usage basis) is \$340,000 and 1.5 with other Federal internal costs being \$3,000.
- (ii) Proposed payments to Non-Federal Members is \$0. Payments to

Federal Members are \$5,000. The Committee is composed of approximately 12 voting members who may be Regular Government Employees or Special Government Employees.

(iii) Reimbursable costs equate to travel reimbursement for Non-Federal Members is \$15,000, for Federal Members is \$0 and for Federal Staff is \$22,000.

Membership Selection—The Committee is composed of members having experience and specific expertise relevant to the mission/function of the Council includes experience in health professions education, clinical workforce development, and special competence to evaluate and improve VA relationships with the national academic community. This expertise will be evident by experiences such as: direct and long-standing familiarity with health professions education in a discipline or disciplines, in a leadership position; knowledge and expertise in innovation in health professions education; direct knowledge and/or participation in affiliation relationships with VA; or direct experience in health systems similar to or comparable to VA.

Existing Federal Advisory Committees—The following list of 27 VA advisory committees includes 18 that are statutory (with an asterisk *) and 9 non-statutory committees.

- (1) VA National Academic Affiliations Council
- (* 2) Advisory Committee on Cemeteries and Memorials
- (3) Cooperative Studies Scientific Evaluation Committee
- (* 4) Advisory Committee on Disability Compensation
- (* 5) Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education
- (* 6) Veterans' Advisory Committee on Environmental Hazards (Administratively Inactive)
- (* 7) Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War
- (* 8) Geriatrics and Gerontology Advisory Committee
- (* 9) Research Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses
- (10) Health Systems Research Service Merit Review Board
- (* 11) Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans
- (12) Joint Brain, Behavioral, and Mental Health and Medical Health Scientific Merit Review Board
- (* 13) Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans
- (14) National Research Advisory Council
- (* 15) Advisory Committee on U.S. Outlying Areas and Freely Associated States

- (* 16) Advisory Committee on Prosthetics and Special Disabilities Programs
- (* 17) Advisory Committee on the Readjustment of Veterans
- (* 18) Veterans' Advisory Committee on Rehabilitation
- (19) Rehabilitation Research, Development, and Translation Scientific Merit Review Board
- (20) Veterans' Rural Health Advisory Committee
- (* 21) Special Medical Advisory Group
- (* 22) Advisory Committee on Structural Safety of Department of Veterans Affairs Facilities
- (* 23) Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs
- (24) Veterans' Family, Caregiver, and Survivor Advisory Committee
- (* 25) Veterans and Community Oversight and Engagement Board
- (26) Department of Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service National Advisory Committee
- (* 27) Advisory Committee on Women Veterans

Justification—Without the NAAC, VA would lose the structured advisory infrastructure through which critical guidance on clinical education, research, and care delivery have been delivered. The guidance and recommendations provided by the NAAC are uniquely informed by its composition of senior academic and clinical leaders and therefore cannot be replicated or obtained through any other federal committee government source or more cost effective less burdensome alternative.

Summary of Previous Committee Accomplishments—The Council's standard operations entail conducting four meetings per year; two face-to-face meetings, one of which is local in Washington, DC to receive updates from VA Senior Leaders, and one is a face-to-face meeting on site at one of the VA's across the country. Two additional virtual meetings take place annually. The NAAC members meet to provide recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and Under Secretary for Health on matters affecting the unique partnership between the VA and the nation's universities, health professions schools, and teaching hospitals. The NAAC's recommendations highlight significant collaborative efforts between VA and its academic partners to advance Veteran care, workforce readiness, and innovation in health professions education (HPE). Since the Council's establishment, the NAAC has produced 96 recommendations for VA. Of these recommendations, 54% (52 recommendations) were fully

implemented by VA, 42% (41 recommendations) were partially implemented, and 4% (3 recommendations) are pending the Secretary's review.

Why Committee is Essential—For 80 years, VA has educated health professions trainees (HPTs) and is now the nation's largest health care training platform. Under the Office of Academic Affiliations oversight, VA annually provides clinical education and training programs to more than 124,000 HPTs from more than 60 health professions. In partnership with nearly 1,500 academic affiliates, VA conducts HPE programs offered at 142 VA medical facilities to advance HPTs knowledge and skills in caring for Veterans. The NAAC serves as a “strategic compass” for VA by supporting its education mission and ensuring that education policies, training infrastructure, and affiliation partnerships evolve in step with changes in U.S. health care, emerging professions, and national workforce shortages. By providing evidence-informed recommendations, the NAAC helps ensure VA maintains a robust pathway of highly qualified health professionals who support Veteran care across all Veterans Health Administration medical centers.

In conclusion, this Notice of Intent states that reestablishing this council is in the public interest, essential to the conduct of agency business, and that the information provided is not available through any other advisory committee or source within the Federal Government.

Dated: July 17, 2026.

Jelessa M. Burney,

Federal Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[Docket No. VA–2025–VACO–0001]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of a modified system of records.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974, notice is hereby given that the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is modifying the system of records titled “Automated Safety Incident Surveillance and Tracking System (ASISTS)-VA” (99VA13). This system is used to identify specific cases of work-

related injuries and illnesses, track and evaluate medical care of and services provided to injured or ill workers, and determine emerging causes, clusters of incidents, and outbreaks.

DATES: Comments on this modified system of records must be received no later than 30 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register**. If no public comment is received during the period allowed for comment or unless otherwise published in the **Federal Register** by VA, the modified system of records will become effective a minimum of 30 days after date of publication in the **Federal Register**. If VA receives public comments, VA shall review the comments to determine whether any changes to the notice are necessary.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted through www.regulations.gov under docket number VA–2025–VACO–0001 or mailed to VA Privacy Service (005X6F), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. Comments should indicate that they are submitted in response to “Automated Safety Incident Surveillance and Tracking System (ASISTS)-VA” (99VA13). Instructions for accessing agency documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket are available on www.regulations.gov under “FAQ.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephania Griffin, Veterans Health Administration, Stephania.Griffin@va.gov or 704–245–2492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: VA is modifying the system by revising the System Name; System Number; System Location; System Manager; Authority for Maintenance of the System; Purpose; Categories of Records in the System; Records Source Categories; Routine Uses of Records Maintained in the System; Policies and Practices for Storage of Records; Policies and Practices for Retrieval of Records; Policies and Practices for Retention and Disposal of Records; Administrative, Technical and Physical Safeguards; Record Access Procedures; Contesting Record Procedures; and Notification Procedure.

The System Name will be changed from “Automated Safety Incident Surveillance and Tracking System (ASISTS)-VA” to “Performance Logic-Employee Safety Incident Investigation Platform (ESIIP) Records-VA.”

The System Number will be changed from 99VA13 to 99VA10 to reflect the current VHA organizational routing symbol.

The System Location is being updated to replace the current language with: “Records are maintained electronically

or on paper at Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Medical Centers (address locations are listed in VA Appendix 1 of the biennial Privacy Act Issuance publication), Veterans Integrated Service Networks (VISN), and VA Data Processing Centers. Information from these records or copies of these records may be maintained by Performance Logic and the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Central Office at 811 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20571. Records are also located at the VA Enterprise Cloud at participating servers in the United States.”

The System Manager is being updated to replace “Office of Public Health and Environmental Hazards (13), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, Officials maintaining the system: Director at the facility where the employee was associated” with “Director, VHA Office of Occupational Safety and Health, vhaoccsafetyandhealthaction@va.gov, 811 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20571.”

The Authority for Maintenance of the System is being updated to include 29 CFR 1960; 29 CFR 1904; and 29 CFR 1910.1030.

The Purpose is being updated to remove references to Workers' Compensation as the updated system has no function for submitting Workers' Compensation claims. This section is being rewritten to state, “The records and information may be used for managing work-related injuries and illnesses by identifying, characterizing, and tracking occupational injuries and illnesses and the progress of injured or ill current and former employees, trainees, contractors, subcontractors, volunteers, and other individuals working with or performing services for VHA.”

With respect to occupational safety, information regarding a workplace injury or illness, including the description of the incident, any correction action taken, results of any investigation, and recommendations for employees' safety and health, is entered into ESIIP by the supervisor of an injured or ill employee and/or the health and safety personnel of the facility. These records are used to identify specific incidents of work-related injuries and illnesses; track and evaluate services and medical care of injured or ill workers; and determine emerging causes, clusters of incidents, and outbreaks. In addition, VHA uses the information to identify system-wide problems and opportunities for focused education; evaluate through statistical analysis the effectiveness health and